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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 6589 NOTE PREPARED:** Dec 28, 2013

BILL NUMBER: SB 228 BILL AMENDED:

**SUBJECT:** Coerced Abortions.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Tomes BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation</u>: This bill urges the Legislative Council to assign to a study committee during the 2014 legislative interim the topics of whether: (1) it should be illegal to coerce a woman to have an abortion; (2) an abortion clinic or physician's office that provides abortions should be required to post signs concerning the illegality of coercing a woman to have an abortion; and (3) a health care worker who is aware that a woman is being coerced to have an abortion should be required to report the coercion to law enforcement.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Legislative Council could assign the topic to an existing interim study committee or establish a new interim study committee to study this topic during the next interim. Interim study committees operate on budgets established by the Legislative Council based on committee size. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for interim study committees in the amount of \$9,500 per interim for committees with fewer than 16 members and \$16,500 for committees with 16 members or more. If the Legislative Council were to assign this topic to an existing committee and the committee were to have any extra meetings to address this topic, there would be additional expenditures for legislator per diem and travel reimbursement for the committee members. Any additional expenditures must be within the committee's budget.

## **Explanation of State Revenues:**

#### **Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

#### **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

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<u>State Agencies Affected:</u> General Assembly; Legislative Services Agency.

**Local Agencies Affected:** 

**Information Sources:** Legislative Council Resolution 13-02.

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